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Court Vacates Temporary Injunction Against GCI, Finding it Unnecessary

by Bill Rowland

Greenbelt Cooperative, Inc. (GCI) has been released from the court injunction of February 28 requiring the cooperative to cease temporarily its movement toward divestiture of supermarket and service station operations. However, GCI representatives must still appear before the Circuit Court of Prince Georges County later this month to show cause why divestiture should not be further delayed and put to a vote of the GCI membership in June.

Judge James Magruder Rea annulled his previous injunction on Friday, March 2, after hearing arguments presented that day by GCI attorneys from the Washington law firm of Hamel & Park. According to John T. Ward, one of the attorneys for the petitioners against GCI, Judge Rea made his decision primarily on the grounds that with the further legal action that is still pending, GCI would be effectively blocked from sales of its properties, thus making the temporary injunction unnecessary. Ward told the News Review that Judge Rea orally advised GCI that any actions they take between now and the show-cause hearing will be subject to court scrutiny.

According to Ward, the March 2 proceeding was an "adversary hearing" in which both parties were represented and offered arguments. The earlier hearing on February 28 was "ex parte," with GCI not represented.

The petitioners in this case are three Greenbelt residents who are members of GCI — Beatrix D. Whitehall, Albert K. Herling, and Robert Earl Wilson. In addition to Ward, the petitioners are also

re should not be further de-GCI membership in June. being represented by attorney F. Anthony McCarthy. Both attorneys live in Greenbelt. The ultimate goal of the petitioners is to force GCI to put the divestiture matter to a vote by the cooperative's membership during

its June meeting, with no proxy voting allowed.

GCI, in asking Judge Rea to vacate the temporary injunction, presented written arguments in support of its request. Two of the arguments were based on technical points of law-one, that the 30-day injunction violated a provision of the Maryland Rules of Procedure that limits such injunctions against Maryland residents to no more than 10 days; the other, that the granting of the injunction with no prior notice to GCI also violated the same provision of Maryland law as interpreted in a precedent case decided by the U.S. Supreme Court. The third argument—that the petitioners would suffer no harm if the injunction were lifted and the matter dealt with in the forthcoming hearing on the merits of the case—was presented to the court in the form of a sworn affidavit by Paul O. Mohn, Chairman of the GCI Board of Directors.

Mohn's Statement

Mohn recounted the history of financial loss suffered by the grocery store and service station operations during recent years, with these losses totalling \$9.100,000 during the past 13 years. He noted "the deleterious impact such losses are having on GCI's ability to operate prudently and in the interest of its member patrons." He gave dollar figures to show that only the SCAN furniture division has been operating profitably. Mohn then made a number of other points related to the present legal action against GCI:

—He itemized ways in which, despite the divestiture decision, GCI is essentially maintaining the status quo — e.g., no sales contracts have been entered into, inventory is not being depleted "below commercially reasonable levels, although (GCI) is not currently reordering merchandise under the Co-op label," and no employees have been discharged as a result of the divestiture decision.

—He summarized the present status of sales efforts, saying that "GCI has received bids from a number of local cooperative organizations interested in purchasing the service stations and grocery stores and continuing to operate them as cooperatives." Repeating GCI's wish to complete sales negotiations for all re-

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S.O.S. Petitions Top 600

More than 600 Greenbelters have now signed the S.O.S. Petition asking Greenbelt Co-operative, Inc. (GCI) to reverse its divestiture decision or, at least, to delay that action for six months. The GCI board currently plans to sell off its money-losing food stores, pharmacies and gas stations by March 31 and has actively been seeking bids from locally-based co-ops to purchase the facilities or should that fail, bids from other independent operators would be accepted.

"Thanks to the cooperation of several of the city's civic and homeowner associations, the response has been very good." Joe Isaacs, S.O.S. chairman told the News Review. "However," he noted, "many more Greenbelters need to be heard from before March 12" when the S.O.S. petitions will be presented at the GCI board meeting.

The clip—out petition again appears in this issue of the News Review (see ad page (3). Isaacs expects a big boost by residents of Windsor Green and Springhill Lake where homeowner and civic associations distributed post card petitions this past week.

The petitions, said Isaacs, may be critical in that they serve notice to GCI of serious community concern. S.O.S. supports a permanent restraining order which would assure that the Co-op membership can vote on the question of divestiture at the annual meeting on June 9.

The additional time would also assist the new Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative, Inc., in its efforts to acquire the food, pharmacy and auto services should the divestiture decision be reaffirmed by the Co-op membership.

The next meeting of the S.O.S. Committee will be held on March 15 at 8 p.m. in the city council

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs. Mar. 8, 8 p.m. GHI Meeting, Hamilton Place

Sat., Mar. 10, 10-12 noon. Little League Baseball late sign-up, Youth Center

Thurs., Mar. 15, 8 p.m. SOS Meeting, City Council Chambers room. For information call Isaacs, 345-5671.

New Co-op Selects New Store Manager

by Jim Cassels

The Board of Directors of the newly organized Greenbelt Consumer Co-op (GCC) have chosen Bob Davis to be the Co-op store manager if the GCC does take control of the co-op.

Ron Wilkinson, the present store manager, says he hopes to take a long vacation.

Davis is currently managing the Co-op Supermarket in Severna Park. No plans have been made to organize a local Co-op to take over that store, so it probably will be sold to a private operator.

Before he worked for Co-op, Davis managed Super Thrift supermarkets in Edgewood and Columbia. He also was Assistant Director of Corporate Stores for P.A. & S. Small Company, the wholesale grocer that supplies all Co-op Supermarkets. GCC will continue to buy its groceries, meats and produce from the Small Company.

The GCC has passed the half-way mark in its initial drive for membership capital. The \$60,000 initial goal, plus a bank loan, will enable it to acquire the inventories of the supermarket, the pharmacy and the service station. GCC hopes to take over the operations on April 1.

The GCC meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the Greenbelt Homes Board Room. All interested persons are invited to attend.

City to Press County for Summer Playgrounds in East Greenbelt

by Bill Rowland

Summer playground programs and winter potholes, more room for more dentists and more space for more cars, a police car that won't look like a police car and two traffic lights that look alike—these were some of the mishmash of agenda items taken up by Greenbelt's city council during its February 27 regular meeting.

The Greenbriar/Glen Oaks and Windsor Green/Glen Ora communities would get new summer playground programs if city requests to the county are successful. Hank Irving, Greenbelt's Director of Recreation, made such a request to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission in December, but has since learned that the county Planning Board has adopted the Fiscal Year 1985 operating budget without including funds for such new programs. City council voted to ask the county executive and county council to provide the two programs earlier requested by Irving. The new programs would be in addition to summer playground programs already provided in the city's north end and in Springhill Lake, and other summer recreational assistance provided at the Youth Center. The city provides supplies and equipment for these playground programs.

Dental Office Expansion

Council approved the request of veteran Greenbelt dental surgeon Clayton S. McCarl, Sr. to be allowed to make an addition to the dental office building at 28-A Ridge Road. The proposed addition would expand an existing 4'x5' porch into an enclosed 10'x15' treatment area ("operatory"). The addition, to be located on the garden side of the building away from the intersection of Ridge Road and Gardenway, is wanted so that it will not be necessary to use the two existing "operatories" inconveniently located on the second floor. Staff of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) has approved the addition.

Normally such an addition would require only a building permit. In this case, a special exception to the county zoning laws must be obtained because the building is used for professional purposes in an area zoned residential. In the words of the city's Advisory Planning Board report, "This use has not been questioned before because the use preceded the adoption of the area zoning map in 1949."

Dr. Clayton McCarl and his brother, Dr. J. Taylor McCarl, have been in practice together at the Ridge Road address for 27 years. Their late father preceded them with dental practice in the same building. The third generation will come on the scene when two sons of Clayton join the practice this spring.

Staff Car

During its last previous meeting, council was asked by City Manager James Giese for authorization to buy a used car at auction to replace an aged vehicle being used by city office

See COUNCIL, page 8, col. 1

New Animal Control Ordinance Has Stiffer Penalties for Violators

by Philip J. Hanyok

A proposed animal control ordinance for the city of Greenbelt would enable city officers to issue citations with minimum fines of \$10.

The new animal control regulations, similar to proposed Prince Georges County animal control regulations, were proposed during the Feb. 27 Greenbelt city council meeting.

Besides establishing penalties and enforcement remedies for violating the animal control regulations, the city ordinance would require cat owners to pay an annual license fee but keep the same tag for their cats from year to year.

According to City Manager James K. Giese, the city and the county have agreed that the county will provide the city with dog license registration information, and the city will assist in issuing dog licenses for Greenbelt residents.

The existing animal control ordinance also requires both cats and dogs to be licensed, but problems with dogs last summer and citizen complaints led to request a new ordinance.

The animal control ordinance will use three means of enforcement. First, the city can impose civil fines which will be paid to the city. Second, the matter can be referred to the Prince Georges Animal Control Commission which also has the power

to assess fines. And third, the violation can be declared a misdemeanor. This third procedure would require citations and arrest procedures as established by the state of Maryland,

If a civil fine is issued, it must be paid within 20 days or the fine doubles. If the new fine is not paid within 15 days, the city can send the case to District Court.

Violators also have a right to stand trial for the citations but they must notify the city within 20 days of receiving the citation. These citations are not criminal violations but the accused would receive the same rights as in a criminal case.

The ordinance is expected to come up for a vote during council's March 19 regular meeting.

City Cemetery Lots

Council also considered a request by Harold A. Siegel of 16 Maplewood Court, that the city cemetery ordinance be amended to allow the sale of additional

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Gordon O. Allen

Gordon O. Allen, 56, a resident and active particippant in GHI and the Greenbelt Community from 1960 to 1977, died on March

He came to Greenbelt to assume the position of head of the Engineering and Physical Sciences Library at the University of Maryland, and from the beginning involved himself in GHI with passionate concern and dedication. He was deeply involved in Citizens for a Planned Greenbelt and the preservation of the Greenbelt green space, in the Friends of the Library, and in opening up the town to persons of all races. His deep concern for GHI brought him staunch friends and strong opponents, but his love for Greenbelt remained even after the family moved out to the big house on the Ag. Res. Center farms. He also served Twin Pines and Greenbelt Consumer Services in several capacities and was as political as the Hatch Act would allow.

He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Elizabeth (Betty), sons Christopher and Drake, and daughters Margaret Fernandez and Jennifer Reed.

A memorial service will be held at Paint Branch Unitarian Church, 3215 Powder Mill Rd., Adelphi on Saturday, March 10 at 2:30 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Paint Branch Endowment Fund.

In Memoriam

To the many Greenbelters who came to know Gordon, he was a man with serious concern for his community. He deeply cared about the way it worked, or failed to, for its citizens and always brought to bear on issues his considerable intellect and informed opinion. He was an articulate spokesman for his views and enlivened every conservation and public discourse with a sharp humor. Gordon's love of gardening and extensive knowledge of botany further enriched his views and ours of how Greenbelt ought to look, that the esthetic quality of our living environment is also important. His early death comes as a shock to many of us and leaves a void that will not soon be filled.

Lowell Owens

Invitation to Lenten Study

The Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church will be holding a Lenten study beginning Saturday night, March 10 at 8 p.m. The community is invited to join in this new life mission study.

Harold Weiner

Harold Weiner of 20 Maplewood Court died March 1 at the age of 51 following a heart attack.

Dr. Weiner, a Greenbelt resident for 25 years, was director of Behavioral Research at St. Elizabeth's Hospital and a psychologist in private practice in College Park.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., Dr. Weiner graduated from the City College of New York and received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Psychology from the University of Maryland, where he was affiliated with Sigma Xi fraternity.

During the Korean War, he served in an Armed Forces Band. At St. Elizabeth's, where he served for 23 years, he was cited for outstanding service.

He was a member of the American Psychological Association as well as District of Columbia and Maryland associations. He was also a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Weiner pursued wide interests, but he most loved music (he played several brass instruments) and sports, especially tennis. The Weiner family are members at Mishkan Torah Synagogue.

Survivors include his wife Zelda and daughter Karen and sons Eric and Kevin. His parents, Max and Lilliam Weiner of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Miami Beach, Fla., brother Seymour of Old Bethpage, Long Island, and sister Florence Rubin, Cherry Hill, N.J., were also present for services last Sunday at the Donald M. Stein Hebrew Memorial Funeral Home in Takoma Park. A short service was also held at the gravesite at the Judean Memorial Gardens in Olney, Md. Rabbi Steven Bayer of Greenbelt officiated

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association or to the Mental Health Association.

Nutrition for Seniors At Springhill Lake

"Nutrition for Senior Citizens" will be held on Mondays, from 11:15 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. at Greenbelt Department of Recreation at Springhill Lake, beginning March 19 and ending April 23. Although the course is free, pre-registration is required.

For a free Spring schedule and additional information, please call 322-0158.

David Craig

David Richard Samuel Craig, 23, of Maplewood Court, died March 7 in a truck and train collision on Sunnyside Avenue in Beltsville, Md.

A 1979 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, David earned an A.A. degree at Prince George's Community College and a B.A. just two months ago at Frostburg State College. He had planned to begin an M.A. program in Sports Management in September.

Born in Takoma Park on February 11, 1961, David came to Greenbelt in 1963. Besides his parents, Louise and Richard Craig, he leaves a sister Deborah Louise, who lives in Chelsea Woods. Cousins Beth and Vickie Tavanello live with the family, while cousin Todd Whitacre lives in Glen Ora, and grandmother Charlotte Craig is in College Park.

Active in Little League soft-ball, volleyball and basketball, David excelled at tennis. A top player on the ERHS and Frost-burg tennis teams, he was a familiar figure in Greenbelt tourna ments. Last summer he was involved with the local National Junior Tennis League program, and at the time of his death he was working with two girls' volleyball teams at the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

At Roosevelt, David was a member of Young Life, and with his family he was a member of the Mowatt Memorial Metodist Church in Greenbelt.

Service arrangements are incomplete; friends may call Mowatt at 474-9410 from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday for information.

Career College Fair Comes To P.G. Community College

Prince Georges County public school guidance counselors are sponsoring a Career College Fair where admissions, career, financial aid and technical school representatives from throughout the United States will gather to discuss educational opportunities.

To be hosted by Prince Georges Community College, the fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday, March 15, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Friday, March 16. Bus transportation will be provided by the public school system.

An open session for all county residents interested in colleges and universities will be held from 7 until 9 p.m., Thursday, March 15. For additional information, call 322-0862.

Greenbelt CARES

On March 13, Greenbelt CARES will again offer a FREE six week workshop for parents. This Parent Education Group is led by family counselors Paul Fishetti and Wendy Wexler and is open to single parents or couples.

Parents will have an opportunity to get together with other parents in an informal setting to tackle thorny parenting issues and share failure and success stories. Confidentiality will be respected.

For more information call 345-

CULTURAL ARTS BAKE SALE

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 10, the Cultural Arts Center will hold its monthly bake sale in front of the theater. All proceeds go to Arts Center expenses, and baked donations are tax deductible. For information, call 345-2454.

Dorothy Stair Retires; Farewell Party by City

On Monday, March 12, the City will honor Dorothy Stair as she ends her 17-year career as an accounts clerk in the Finance Department. Friends are invited to join with City Council and

> Paint Branch Unitarian Church

3215 Powder Mill Road (near Cherry Hill Road) Sunday, March 11 - 9 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:30 a.m.

Four Discussion groups
10:45 a.m. "Life Focus: Struggling with the Spiritual & Ethical"

Church School 10:45 a.m. Rev. R. W. Kelley 937-3666

Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410 Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

(for all ages)
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Rev. Dr. James Chong Park

Pastor 474-1924

employees in the Council Room of the Municipal Building at 3:30 p.m. Monday afternoon, to bid Dottie farewell and to extend best wishes for her retirement.

Bahá'í Faith

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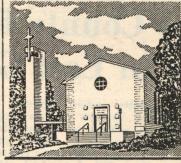
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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 6 p.m. Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Daily Mass: 7:30 a.m Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. Monday - Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4-5 p.m.

Greenbelt Community Church

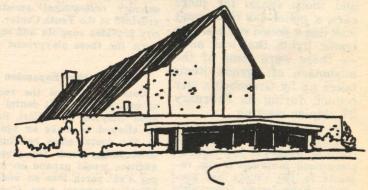


(United Church of Christ) Hillside and Crescent Roads Phone 474-6171 mornings

10 am Sunday Morning Worship and

Church School for Children
Infant Care Provided at
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Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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Worship Services Sundays 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School 9:50; Pre-School Program 9:50
Lenten Devotions Wednesdays 12:15, 7:30 p.m.
Youth and Adult Classes 10 a.m.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Telephone 345-5111

OPEN LETTER

To the Mayor and City Council: For years now I have been disturbed by the slow decaying of the Center Mall. The renovation (trees and tile) was marvelous, but the sidewalks on the front and side of the Mall become treacherous when awash in rain water or thick with ice. The gutters have deteriorated, and walking under some of them is dangerous. This problem is especially bad near the drycleaning and Coop entrance and at the back of the Coop.

At first glance, these seem to be problems of the business nearest the problem zones and of Mr. Christacos the owner of the Center. But in a real sense these problems should be of real concern to the city government.

If even six or ten people a year begin driving to one of the other shopping centers because of irritating conditions at Roosevelt Center, we're in trouble. Shopping habits shift very easily. The person faced with a huge puddle outside the Variety Store may pick up whatever else he needs at High's or the Ben Franklin Store and mentally decide to stop at another store when next he passes Beltway Plaza or Greenway.

The back parking lot east of the Coop is often a major obstacle to shopping, whether because of snow, potholes, trucks blocking the way, or crowded conditions. A complete revamping of the large parking lots surrounding the center would yield more spaces better organized.

We seem to be doing every-thing piecemeal: Save the Post Office. Save the Theater. Save the Coop. What next-Save the Variety Store? The Drycleaners? We need a variety of businesses in order to keep the Center viable. It is to the City's best interest that Greenbelt's shoppers can easily, safely contribute, through their use of the Center's businesses, to the economy as well as the spirit of the city. People coming and going in the Center make it safer for all who walk around this city.

If the Coop cannot be saved as is and another grocery chain sends a representative to look at the Center, let's hope it isn't raining, or we're in trouble.

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Support Member Owners To the Editor:

Often the citizens of Greenbelt have set up local organizations to maintain facilities under local control. It is difficult to think of Greenbelt without its special kind of community ownership. This spirit of local unity influences the entire community - its municipal affairs, its churches, its clubs, its other public and private services and facilities.

Now we have to decide again the importance of local control and ownership. Some say that we might lose nothing if the cooperative commercial facilities revert to absentee ownership by private businesses. This is a risk that those who formed other locally controlled facilities refused to take. It is a risk we should refuse to take with the co-op stores. We have too much to lose. Consider, as an example, the local housing cooperative. Its existence, under member ownership, enhances the quality of life throughout Greenbelt not only in the areas around the members' homes but also in the condominiums, apartments and private homes. The same can be said for the co-op store and service station. Their existence under local member control can strongly enhance all the commercial operations in Greenbelt. Under private ownership they will have little influence.

wait until he's beyond hope. I suggest a meeting of all renters of the center with city officials or council members and interested citizens. In our efforts to bandage an arm, set a leg, or replace a tooth in the "body" of our city, we are ignoring the general health of the 'patient." The city should be concerned that the Roosevelt Center Mall is a pleasant, safe oasis ringed by well-kept, prosperous businesses. New residents move in every month. Let's help them choose the Center for their shopping first.

Eihleen Peterson Editor's Note: The following letter was read to Greenbelt's city council during its February 27 regular meeting. Council will consider the letter during a previously planned session regarding the Roosevelt Center Mall, scheduled for Tuesday, March 13,

Sale Items W/E 3-10-84

Lions Club to Hear Report on New Co-op

Jim Cassels, long-time co-op member and chairman of the board of the new co-op being formed to continue operation of the supermarket, pharmacy, and service station in Greenbelt will bring the Lions Club up to date on the new co-op.

The Lions Club business meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 12 at 6:44 p.m. at the American Legion Home. The public is invited to attend at 7:15 p.m. For further information call Emory Harman at 474-5156.

Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Greenbelt will meet at the library on Monday, March 12, at 1 p.m. in the meeting room. The program will feature artistic displays of club members made during the past vear.

Support the concept of member ownership! Join the new co-op, the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative. Then volunteer to work on its behalf.

Motor Insurance Coverage To Be Checked by MVA

Starting April 2 in accordance with legislation enacted at the 1983 session of the General Assembly the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration will begin to notify randomly selected motorists that they should submit proof of their vehicle insurance coverage. Once a motorist is notified by MVA he should contact his insurance company to obtain a statement of his coverage. The insurance companies are aware of this requirement and know what form to provide.

The purpose of the verification program, according to Mati Koiva, administrator of MVA, is to assure that all motorists in Maryland are complying with the state's compulsory vehicle insur-

St. Hugh's Junior Girls

St. Hugh's CYO Junior Girls defeated St. John's (Forest Glen) by a score of 29-17 in the first round of the CYO playoffs. The team was led in scoring by Aimee

FRED AND MARY HAHN CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIV.

Fred and Mary Hahn of 6 Forestway were wed 50 years ago on March 5, 1934. Their children and grandchildren helped them celebrate at a family gathering at their home on Saturday, March 3. Mr. and Mrs. Hahn have been residents of Greenbelt for 43

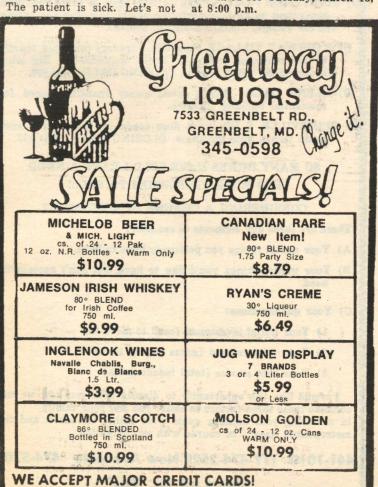
At Greenbelt Library

Wednesday, March 15. Babysitting Workshop. 7-8:30 p.m. Ages 11-16 Child care, safety, emergency procedures and entertaining children. Cosponsored by 4-H and Youth, Prince Georges County Cooperative Extension Services. Qualified participants will receive an official 4-H Babysitting Certificate.

Thursday, March 15 - Adult Book Discussion. 10:15 a.m. Book to be announced.

Kizer (10 points). The girls now advance to the semifinals of the championship round and will play the St. John the Baptist team on Sunday, March 11, at 5:15





CLIP & SIGN the petition below and return to S.O.S. Committee

By Mail:

SOS

S.O.S. Committee c/o Joseph C. Isaacs 112 Julian Court Greenbelt, MD 20770 At Drop Boxes:

- Municipal Building Lobby
- Library
- Golden Joe's Carry-Out
- SHL Community Center
- SHL Pharmacy

Dear Members of the GCI Board of Directors:

To assure the continuance of food, pharmacy and auto services as currently provided by Co-op and that are sensitive to the needs of the citizens of Greenbelt, I am joining others from Greenbelt in asking that you:

- (1) Reverse your decision to divest the Greenbelt supermarket, pharmacy and service station; or
- (2) At a minimum, extend your operation of the services for at least six months beyond the proposed date of divestiture so that a reasonable opportunity is given to let others take over their operation.

Address

Note: The Save Our Services (SOS) Citizens Committee accepts full responsibility for forwarding this petition to the GCI Board.

Police Blotter

Compiled from Information Furnished by the Greenbelt Police Department

A shooting took place in the Springnill Lake apartment area about 10:15 p.m. on Mar. 5. Apparently an argument had taken place among three individuals in a parking lot in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane. Shots were exchanged and a foot chase ensued. The chase ended in the 6200 block of Breezewood Court, where one of the participants was shot three times. Officers of the Greenbelt police department, responding to reports of a shooting, took all three participants into custody; two handguns were recovered. The injured man was transported to Prince Georges General Hospital, where he underwent surgery.

No bystanders were injured; however, at least three apartment units were damaged by stray shots. No police officers were involved in the exchange of gunfire. Appropriate charges, including assault with intent to murder and carrying a concealed deadly weapon, are pending.

A breaking and entering was reported on Feb. 28 in the 8200 block of Canning Terrace. Entry was made by breaking a doorlock and a Charlie bar. Jewelry was reported stolen.

On Mar. 1, a woman's purse was stolen while she was having dinner in a local restaurant. Apparently the purse was stolen by a woman sitting next to the vic-

On Feb. 28 Officer Michael Rasmussen stopped a vehicle which had been stolen in another jurisdiction and arrested the two occupants. The driver was held under bond.

Three non-resident juvenile males were arrested for trespassing in Beltway Plaza where they were discovered on the roof of

the shopping center. Cpl. Thomas H. Miskell and Officer W. Daniel Allwang were recently commended by Police Chief William T. Lane for actions on duty. Cpl. Miskell was commended for the arrest of three suspects and recovery of a stolen vehicle on Feb. 1. Miskell was further commended for recovering several hundred stolen cars dur-

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Prevent Caesarean Subject of Meeting

The Caesarean Prevention Movement of Greater Washington will meet at 8455 Greenbelt Rd., Apt. 102 on Monday evening, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in caesarean prevention and natural birth after caesarean is invited to learn about "Psychological Aspects of Birth." The speaker will be Lilly Werbos, Bradley Childbirth educator. Interested parents, professionals and students are urged to call 552-1469 for further informa-

P.G. PHILHARMONIC CONCERT AT ROOSEVELT

Internationally noted violinist Jody Gatwood will be the soloist with the Prince Georges Philharmonic as they peprform Beethoven's Violin Concerto on Saturday, March 10 at 8 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The Philharmonic, under the direction of Ray Fowler, will also present Prokofiev's Suite from Romeo and Juliet.

Gatwood, the winner of several prestigious competitions, trained for 5 years at the Julliard School of Music and has appeared with orchestras in Pittsburgh, Houston, and Montreal. He is currently an assistant professor at Catholic University as well as the concertmaster of the Handel Festival Orchestra. This is his second appearance with the Prince Georges Philharmonic.

Tickets for the concert can be purchased at the door or may be reserved by calling 699-2540 (day) or 423-5136 (evening and weekend).

ing his career with the department.

Officer Allwang was commended for the immediate arrest of a suspect after a strong-arm robbery was committed in the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center on Feb .7. Allwang's "quick and efficient" police work was com-

Separated/Divorced Catholics

Separated and Divorced Catholics will meet March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Hugh's School. Fr. Rich Maloney will address the group on "Attack a Priest -Every-thing You've Always Wanted to Confront a Priest with but Were Afraid to Ask." A social will follow the talk; men are asked to bring a beverage and women are asked to bring a snack. The meeting is open to all interested persons. For more information or for directions, call 474-0353.

Separated and Divorced Catholics is a support group of, and, for all separated and divorced Catholics in the Archdiocese of Washington. It is a program of the Family Life Bureau of the Archdiocese.

St. Hugh's Track Team

St. Hugh's 1984 track team will begin practicing on Thursday, March 15, in the parking lot behind the church. Boys and girls ages 7-14 may sign up for the team at that time. Practices will be from 5-6:30 p.m. There will be at least six track meets from April 7 through May 19 with possibly several other meets. The distances to be run are 100, 200, 800, 1500 and 3200 meters. For further information call Larry Noel, 474-9362.

St. Hugh's Midget Girls

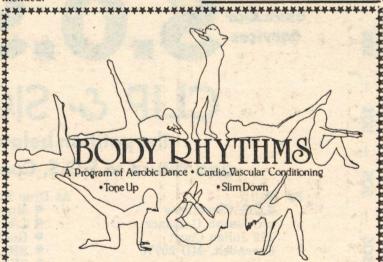
Heather Campbell scored 6 points to lead the Midget Girls basketball team to their 8th consecutive victory without a loss. The girls overcame a pressing defense and a scoreless 1st quarter to rally past St. Jeromes 11-4. Cheryl Eley and Becky Molden also scored a field goal each

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New Animal Control Ordinance

(Continued from page one)

lots One section of the cemetery now has lots available but the Siegels, who wish to purchase two double lots, prefer lots which are in a section not authorized for sale.

In order for the Siegels to buy the lots they want, council must amend the current ordinance.

Giese suggested that the cemetery be redesignated as a memorial park because he feels that the sale of the lots will never generate enough funds to cover even the low maintenance costs.

Council member Antoinette Bram suggested that the lots be advertised for sale to end similar future discussions. According to Giese, council discussed the sale of the lots as early as 1974 and in 1977 the

and Julie Nenichka converted a free throw to round out the scorordinance was amended.

Council later directed Giese to draft an amendment to make the other lots available for sale.

Attick Park Boats

Gunner's Mate, Inc., the concessionaires at Attick Park, have requested council to authorize an increase in the number of boats available for rent at Greenbelt

The present lease allows Gunner's Mate to operate 16 boats, including two rescue boats. A letter from Gunner's Mate asks council to increase the allowable number of boats to 23. This would include 10 paddle boats, 12 rowboats and one rescue boat.

A city inspection last season noted that the number of boats available exceeded the lease restrictions.

Council delayed action on the matter until a future meeting so that citizens could have an opportunity to comment. *********************

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GHIDC Approves \$1,352,996 Contract for Masonry Repairs

by Mavis Fletcher

At a session which preceded the regular Greenbelt Homes, Inc. meeting on Feb. 23, the directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Development Corporation gave final approval to the contract for repair of structural damage and painting of masonry homes. The contract was awarded to Bakalyar Construction Co./J. Turner Construction Co. and carried a not-to-exceed price tag of \$1,352,996. The structural repairs, which have been studied, surveyed and debated for most of last year, are scheduled to be completed before the end of Rehab Phase II on June 30.

These concerns led the board

to defer any definite action on the member's request. A mo-

tion by Director Wayne Williams

calling for management to work

with the member to solve the

difficulties, passed 7-0, with Ger-

vasi abstaining. The request was

also referred to the Aesthetics

and Environment and Engineer-

ing and Maintenance Committees.

proved unanimously an agree-

ment with First Maryland Sav-

ings & Loan which will make

financing by that institution available to GHI buyers. The

board also approved a one-year

contract with Hall's Tree Service

for tree trimming and removal.

The board authorized renewal of

the annual insurance package

with the same broker, Horenberg

Insurance Services, Inc., at a not-

to-exceed cost of \$61,000, a re-

duction in premium from 1983.

A motion by Secretary Janet

Cantwell giving the authorization

was passed 7-0, with Jenkins ab-

whether there is interest in or-

ganizing a crime watch in GHI

is being made by scheduling a meeting Sunday, March 25, 2-4

p.m. A representative of the

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In other actions, the board ap-

The GHIDC board disposed of to a frame dwelling. this \$1.3 million dollar contract in a matter of minutes. The same directors, sitting as the GHI board, then spent half-an-hour debating whether the proposed statement of GHI maintenance responsibilities ought to include replacement of clothes poles. On a motion by Director Frank Gervasi, the 'clothes pole question" was finally decided affirmatively -original clothes poles will be replaced as needed in masonry homes. The vote on the issue was 6-2, Directors Joe Jenkins and Wayne Williams coming down on the anti-clothes-pole side.

The rest of the proposed maintenance responsibilities and minimum standards for GHI yards, to be set forth in an upcoming edition of GHI rules and regulations, were approved by the board 7-1, with Jenkins opposed. According to General Manager Shekar Narasimhan, the yard maintenance rules will be spelled out in more detail in draft regulations which will be brought before the board as they are prepared.

The board deferred action on the request of a member for permission to construct a garage/ workshop on one side of his frame home. The member, whose hobby is restoring vehicles, is constructing a show truck too large to fit into a conventional GHI garage. He needs to keep it in protected surroundings and needs space to work. Since the proposed structure is not exactly an addition (living space) or a shed, the request is not covered by current regulations, according to Narasimhan. The board, sympathizing with the member's desire to accommodate his hobby or, as he put it, "to remain in Greenbelt and enjoy my home," nevertheless looked cautiously at attendant problems. A drainage problem of long standing already exists in the area of the member's home. The problem was exacerbated, according to the member's statement, by the city's installation of a wheelchair ramp in the sidewalk. This ramp channels water from the street into the nearby yards. The board was obviously concerned about the drainage problems and how the proposed structure would affect them. Director John Lewis also raised the question of a possible fire hazard in a garage attached

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Court Injunction Lifted

(Continued from page one) maining facilities during March 1984, Mohn said that "GCI will suffer substantial monetary damages in the form of continuing losses" if it is not allowed to continue "negotiating with potential buyers pending a final decision by this Court on the merits of plaintiffs' petition."
"Moreover," said Mohn, GCI "risks the loss of ready and willing buyers who have already submitted" purchase bids.

-In his final point, Mohn noted "head-to-head" and "formidable" competition that GCI's SCAN furniture division has only recently begun to face from the two firms of Scandinavian Design and Marlo Furniture. According to Mohn, with only the SCAN enterprise within GCI now proving profitable, "GCI cannot continue to absorb the losses generated by the service station and grocery store divisions and expect to remain a healthy cooperative. . .

The court hearing on the merits of the petition to bring divestiture to a GCI membership vote is on the calendar for March 23, but, according to attorneys for both sides, may be moved to an earlier date to accommodate the schedules of GCI's attorneys.

Petitioners' attorney Ward told the News Review on March 6 that GCI closed its Fairlington grocery store on March 3-the day after the hearing in which Judge Rea cancelled his earlier injunction. According to Ward, the GCI attorneys did not tell either the judge or the petitioners' lawyers about the intended closing.

GCI's attorney Stephen L. Humphrey, asked about this by the News Review, explained that the Fairlington closing had nothing to do with the divestiture decision. He said that the bank which owns the building notified GCI about November 1983-before the December 19 divestiture decision-that the bank was terminating the lease and taking over the property in order to

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A lucky contestant (not necessarily the title winner) will be the recipient of a \$500 scholarship from the Yorktowne Business Institute in Greenbelt.

The winner of the "Miss Greenbelt America" title will receive a scholarship of at least \$150 and many gifts from sponsoring merchants. She will receive her crown from "Miss Greenbelt America-1983," Rhonda Dorin, and will represent Greenbelt at the "Miss Maryland Scholarship Pageant" in June and, hopefully, at "Miss America" in September.

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Our Neighbors

by Eileen Peterson

Heartfelt condolences to three long-time Greenbelt families: the Allens, the Craigs and the Weiners. Gordon Allen was involved in many Greenbelt activities, and his wife Betty and children have the sympathies of all Greenbelters. Hal Weiner and David Craig leave Maplewood Court the poorer by their sudden death, and we hope Hal's wife Zelda and children Eric, Kevin and Karen and David's parents, Louise and Dick will draw comfort from their many Greenbelt friends.

Besse Bendow of Green Ridge House is recuperating from surgery on a fractured hip, and she temporarily living at the Greenbelt Nursing Center. She is feeling better but would appreciate letters and visitors to her room #48. She is the mother of Elaine Nussbaum of Tamarisk

Happy Birthday to Bertha Boushell of Parkway, who enters her 90th year on Saturday, March 10. Helping her celebrate will be son Carl, of 5 Court Ridge Road, and his family.

Congratulations to Fred and Mary Hahn of Forestway as they celebrate 50 years of marriage (see separate story).

Alverta and Larry Shanahan of 2 Court Westway had a double treat on Sunday, February 26, as they helped grandchildren Jaclyn and Christopher Shanahan celebrate their first and second birthdays. Great-grandma Ottilie Norris of Green Ridge House was unable to attend te party, but grandparents Pearl and Lou Early, brother Ryan, cousins Donna and Debbie Brunatti, and other relatives and friends were on hand. Much cake and fun were had by all, and we congratulate

the two youngsters.

It's a girl for William and Barbara Dupree, 5 Eastway. Amber Lee made her debut on February 24, weighing 6 lbs. 1 oz.

Springhill Lake Elementary School's fifth and sixth grade students participated in a school spelling bee on February 24. The five finalists, in order of

Boy Scouts Conduct Simulated Search

by Jack Foster

Boy Scout Troop 1746 conducted an organized search and rescue training exercise in Greenbelt Park on December 31. The exercise was a realistic simulation of searching for a lost and injured child.

Three troop members who are experienced campers were selected as "victims" and were placed in locations within the park. Their positions were known only to Scoutmaster Jim Cooney.

Each of the three patrols in the troop was assigned a search area which concealed a victim. The patrol leader organized and led his patrol through its assigned area in search of the victim. When found, the victim had a list on his person telling the patrol leader the symptoms of his condition. The patrol leader had to determine what first aid was proper to administer.

The exercise taught the Scouts a great deal, including how to dress for prolonged exposure to very cold temperatures. As a result of the training exercise the Scouts will be better prepared to assist local authorities if they should be called upon to assist in a real search and rescue opera-

A similar exercise will be conducted by the troop at some future date to reinforce the lessons learned during the December session.

Tag Renewal

The Motor Vehicle Administrabegan mailing 1984 license tag renewal applications to Maryland's passenger car and motorcycle owners.

Information on how to order license plates designating Maryland's 350th anniversary will be included.

Tag renewal stickers may be purchased at all MVA full service offices. Over 200,000 motorists will not receive their tag renewal applications because they either failed to pay parking tickets, comply with equipment repair orders, or comply with the requirements of the Maryland compulsory insurance law. Only after a motorist has cleared all outstanding obligations will the MVA issue a tag application.

The closest MVA branch office in Largo is at 50 Old Largo Road. The phone number is 350-9770. (The office in Berwyn Heights has been closed.)

their finish, were Darri Navon, Dornan Mirsch, Miles Morlock, Billy Fielder and Kristen O'Neill. Congratulations to winner Darri. Since she is moving out of the area, however, Dornan Mirsch and Miles Morlock will vie with other school winners in the county. The winners from the county bee will then compete against children from the Washington metropolitan area. Those winners will compete in the Scripps-Howard National Spelling Bee.

Marine Pvt. Trudy L. Tucker, daughter of Frederick A. Tucker of Edmonston Ct., has completed training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Recreation Review

CPR To pre-register for the win-ter CPR class schedule call the Recreation Department Business Office weekdays, 9-5, 474-6878. All classes are held at the Greenbelt Youth Center, from 7-10:30 p.m. on both evenings. March dates are the 13 and 14 and 20 and 21. Participate in this life saving program!

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Persons who are interested in being substitute teachers in public elementary schools of Prince Georges County for the current school year should contact the principal of an elementary school in or near Greenbelt by March 16. 1984. All applications must be approved and recommended by an elementary school principal.

A workshop for all newly approved substitutes will be held on April 3, 4, and 5, from 4-7 p.m. at the Palmer Park Services Center located at 8437 Landover Road, Landover, Md.

Applicants for substitute positions must have graduated from high school at least two years ago. Applicants with a college degree or those pursuing a planned program in college studies will be given priority consideration.

GHI NOTES

The GHI Board of Directors will meet on Thursday, March 8 at 8 p.m. in the Board Room. Agenda items include rules and regulations parts IV, V, and VI; memorandum of understanding with the National Consumer Cooperative Bank; proposed computerization timetable; and implementation of a motor vehicle replacement plan.

The Engineering and Maintenance Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 13 at 8 p.m. in the Board Room and the Aesthetics and Environment Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 14 at 8 p.m. in the Board Room.

The weekly rehab information meeting will be held Monday, March 12 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Work is being done on four test buildings. The next Rehab Bulletin will be available after these test buildings are completed.

Members may call the Maintenance Department (474-6011) for service on clogged drains. If a drain cleaner has already been used, it is imperative that maintenance be informed. Otherwise, maintenance personnel may suffer severe injury while working

50th Anniversary Group NEEDED FOR THIS YEAR Convenes First Meeting

by Sandra Barnes

The first meeting of the City of Greenbelt's 50th Anniversary Committee took place on Tuesday, January 31. The committee has been directed by the City Council to plan and coordinate events and activities designed to celebrate Greenbelt's golden anniversary, officially set for June

The eleven-member committee represents all age groups and brings to the organization a diversity of talents and ideas ranging from the graphic arts to museum and history buffs. The committee agreed to meet in the future on the first Tuesday of each month. At its next meeting on March 6 it will elect its chairman and vice chairman and dis-

cuss the length of the celebration, program and fund-raising activities. The committee expects to be contacting Greenbelt organizations and businesses for their support, their suggestions and contributions.

Members of the committee are: Sandra Barnes, Michael Burchick, J. Davis, Austin Green, David Moran, Christina O'Boyle, Joseph Polanin, Stephen Polaschik, Wayne Williams, Albert Herling and Alan Virta. Council member Antoinette Bram and city staff person Dorothy Lauber are liaisons to the committee.

City Manager James Giese pledged the cooperation of the city in working closely with the committee, and Mayor Gil Weidenfeld advised that the Council was giving the committee free to develop ideas which would make this a memorable celebration for the community.

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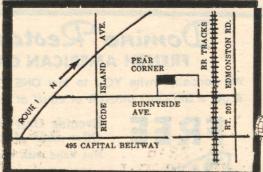
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eral matters of concern, all re-

lated to automobiles and their

drivers. Councilmember Edward

Putens, with help from others,

described the horrendous pot-holes—"craters"—that have be-

gun to plague motorists in the

Greenway Shopping Center park-

ing lot. Council agreed to send

a letter to the county's Depart-

ment of Licenses and Permits,

with a copy to Greenway's owners, Western Development Corp.,

expressing the city's unhappiness with the disrepair of the

Councilmember Thomas White

spoke to the inadequate number

of parking spaces as marked by

white lines on Lakecrest Drive.

parking lot.

staff. Council instead decided that the planned concurrent purchase of four new police cruisers should be increased to five, with one of the present police cars then being converted to administrative use by the city manager and city office staff.

At the February 27 meeting, Giese won council approval for a further change in plans: One of the five new police vehicles will assume civilian clothes and serve as the administrative-use car for the first year of its life. At the end of the year, that car will be converted to police use, and will be replaced by another new "police" car assigned to staff use. Giese pointed out that this procedure is already followed with the vehicle assigned to the Police Chief.

In written comments to council, Giese said the procedure "has the adventage of providing a greater time period to detect warranty defects than results from use as a squad car, as squad car use results in mileage warrenty being exceeded in a very short . . . time. It also results in a better vehicle being available for the transporting of visiting dignitaries and other guests of the city. The relatively low use while assigned as an administrative vehicle results in no significant effect on the useful life ... as a police squad car."

The fifth new car will not be purchased from the police de-partment budget for new squad cars. In other words, the police vehicle roster is not being "shorted" in any way by this arrangement.

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re-lining to make each space Council members asked city shorter, as has been done in othstaff to look for solutions to sev-

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er parts of the city, might be possible. Mayor Gil Weidenfeld noted

problems relating to the traffic lights in the Crescent Road/ Kenilworth Avenue area. He said the interval of red light for motorists wanting to get from Crescent onto Kenilworth seems to have been lengthened. He also noted that he and other motorists northbound on Kenilworth after dark are having a problem of "depth perception" in distinguishing between the lights at the Beltway off-ramp and those just beyond at Crescent. Weidenfeld asked Giese to look into both of these matters with the State Highway Administration.

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## Monday, March 12

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